





## **Conciliation Housing Accessibility Modification Program (CHAMP)**

A program designed to improve the physical access of rental units for people with disabilities using housing vouchers.

## Who Qualifies for a CHAMP grant?

To be eligible, a family must use a housing voucher, have a member with a disability, reside in Baltimore County, and have a signed lease.

The Conciliation Housing Accessibility Modification Program (CHAMP) provides funding for structural modifications to rental units to address the needs of individuals with various disabilities including, but not limited to, modifications for those using wheelchairs, who are deaf or hard of hearing, or have mobility or vision impairments.

## FIND US ONLINE

baltimorecountymd.gov/ Agencies/planning/disabilities/ housingresources.html Baltimore County Department of Planning
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The Jefferson Building, Suite 201
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What modifications are allowed under CHAMP? Modifications are based on a disabled family member's particular needs and may include the installation of wheelchair ramps/lifts.renovations to bathrooms and kitchens, grab bars, flashing doorbells, or lighting changes. Each request is reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Prior to approval, requests are reviewed by the Planning Department and modifications must be approved by the landlord.

All work must be done by licensed and insured contractors, selected by the tenant. The Department of Planning maintains a list of local contractors who have experience with modifications.

Who performs the modification?

## What are the steps?

· Complete application & submit requested verification documents Step 1 Baltimore County assesses modification request Step 2 With landlord approval, contractor is selected & bid is received Step 3 · Grant documents are generated & executed by owner, tenant, contractor, and Baltimore County Step 4 · Modification work begins Step 5 · Upon completion of modification work, contractor is paid on behalf of tenant by Baltimore County Step 6



To apply, simply contact the Department of Planning, Housing Opportunities at 410-887-6055. Funding will be awarded after consideration of each application on a first-come, first-served basis as long as funding is available. Applications can also be found online:

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